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The Conspiracy

NO matter how vehemently Egypt denies any conspiracy with Soviet Russia to injure Western interests in the Middle East, so much material evidence has now been gathered demonstrating Russia's eventual designs on the area, that there can be no further doubt about the planned machinations of Egypt, Syria and the Soviet Union. Details of the supplies of arms which the Anglo-French forces have been able to reveal, quite apart from further discoveries made by the Israelis, indicate that the equipment was essentially for aggressive action. Yet still more revealing is the fact that many of the most modern guns and tanks had not even been issued to the Egyptian army; that the number of Communist technicians sent to Egypt was far greater than could be accounted for by the need for instructors; and that the latest Soviet jet bombers were not used at all in the clash with Israel. THE unmistakable implication is that the hundreds of Soviet technicians were intended as cadres for the "volunteers" which would have been rapidly flown in once the Soviet government had decided on the moment for action. The men to organize and command the "volunteers" were already in position; so were quantities of arms far greater than the Egyptian army needed or could use; so also were aircraft to support them. Everything suggests that the great Soviet conspiracy was at least temporarily set back by Israel's sudden campaign against Egypt.

President Nasser deludes himself if he believes that the political support and military assistance he is getting from Russia stems from Soviet friendship for Egypt, Syria and other Arab countries. Part of the Russian conspiracy is to absorb the Middle East into the Communist empire, and to achieve that aim the Kremlin is making war in a variety of ways on the free world. In war, whether "cold" or "hot", economic blows can be as effective as military onslaughts. If the economy of the enemy can be broken the road is open to victory. Thus Soviet Russia is well aware of the vital importance of Middle East oil to the economy of the free world, and in particular of Western Europe. She also appreciates the strategic importance to the free world of the territory of the Middle East. Wherefore Soviet support of Egypt and the Arab countries is plainly intended as a first step in obtaining military control of the area. SOVIET Russia knows that if the Suez Canal and Middle East oil can be denied to the free world it amounts to an important Communist victory. Nor in this quest does Russia care for the effect on the Arab countries whose prosperity depends on their oil trade. Egypt's leaders can lend themselves to this Soviet design because the country has no oil resources and is herself little at stake. It is this which suggests that the elaborate steps taken by Nasser to block the Suez Canal, dealing a severe blow to the economy of other Arab States as well as to that of Britain and France, were carried out at the instigation of Moscow. Inasmuch that most of Western Europe has been forced into petrol rationing the Russian Middle East conspiracy has already achieved a measure of economic success about Soviet designs in the Middle East these have now been eliminated, and the free world must now take whatever measures are considered appropriate to prevent a disastrous Communist expansion in that vital area.

GOVERNMENT GETS TOUGH WITH ROOF SQUATTERS

New Huts To Be Demolished

Comprehensive measures have been taken by Government to put a stop to further rooftop squatting. It was announced by a Government spokesman today. The Resettlement Department has been made responsible, and a special rooftop squatter prevention section is being set up. According to a survey of all unlawful rooftop structures completed yesterday the total

number of rooftop squatters in the urban areas is about 63,500 and Government has decided to take drastic action to prevent the situation becoming worse. "Government is confident that in this survey it has all the information it requires to detect any attempts to build new huts on the roofs, as well as attempts either to enlarge existing huts or to move

them to different positions on the roofs," the spokesman added. As from today, any new unlawful structures erected on the roofs of tenement buildings will be summarily demolished. In no case will people living in these huts be offered resettlement or any other form of alternative accommodation.

No decision has yet been taken on the date by which the existing unlawful structures on the roofs will be demolished, but people living in them were urged to find other accommodation as soon as possible, the spokesman said. To enable the Resettlement Department to put a quick stop to

further rooftop squatting, the Governor-in-Council has approved new regulations published this morning. One of these regulations requires the lessees and permittees of all Crown Land to report to the Commissioner for Resettlement any new unlawful structures erected on the roofs of their property after yesterday. Failure to comply may mean a fine of \$500.

The Commissioner for Resettlement has asked the public to assist the Resettlement Department to prevent further rooftop squatting. If any landlord or other member of the public will report new structures on the roofs at once, either by letter or telephone to the Department of Resettlement, the Department will at once investigate the case.

YUGOSLAVIA HITS BACK

But It's Only A Writers' Wrangle

— So Far

Belgrade, Nov. 20. Yugoslavia tonight accused Russia, in effect, of violating the Yugoslav-Soviet Friendship Declaration by attacking President Tito's recent comments on Soviet policy in Hungary.

The first Yugoslav reply was delivered by Jozse Smole, Foreign Editor of the Socialist Alliance organ "Borba." He charged that the condemnation of a recent Tito speech in Pravda yesterday was groundless "polemicalism."

"The manner in which Tass (the Soviet news agency) polemicalizes with Tito's speech is not in keeping with the standard of free, open, frank and equal discussion between Communists," he declared.

'We Are Glad'

Jozse Smole, whose commentary in tomorrow's "Borba" was released by the official Tanjug News Agency tonight, denounced Pravda's attack on Tito.

The Soviet Party organ had accused the Yugoslav President of interfering in the affairs of other Communist countries and succumbing to the cult of the individual—Stalinism.

"We are glad," Smole wrote, "that Tass has revealed directly and frankly, and not by implication, what the Soviet leadership thinks and says about comrade Tito's speech and, in general, about the policy of the Yugoslav Communist Party."

His commentary was a point-by-point denial of the Tass dispatch which Pravda printed. "The gravest charge is, no doubt, that about Yugoslav attempts to interfere in the internal affairs of others," Smole said, adding: "Tito's speech, writes a Tass commentator, shows a tendency of interfering in the affairs of other Communist countries."

An editorial which will appear in the same issue will accuse Tass of "a tendentious distortion of the facts."

EDEN ILLNESS SPARKS RUMOURS

London, Nov. 20. There was widespread speculation in London political circles tonight on the future of the Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, after the announcement that he was having to withdraw from public life temporarily because of "severe overstrain."

One rumour said his illness was a pretext to prepare the way for his complete retirement from the political scene. Others, which appear exaggerated, said he was placed in a minority at a Cabinet meeting last night on the question of the maintenance or withdrawal

of British troops in Egypt. The long struggle which has gone on between Sir Anthony and the Lord Privy Seal, Mr. Richard Butler, throughout the Suez crisis had ended to the Premier's disadvantage with even his closest friends siding against him, these rumours said.

It seemed certain that the Prime Minister was physically a tired man. Since the Suez crisis started last July, he has undergone great strain. However, his appearance, particularly during the latest debates in the Commons, gave no indication of a threatened collapse.

One disturbing fact emerges in the midst of all the rumours. Sir Anthony thought it necessary to send the French Premier, M. Guy Mollet, a personal message, assuring him that the team which would replace him during his absence would not mean any change in Franco-British relations.

It seemed hardly probable that the Prime Minister would send such a message if he were contemplating an absence of only a week or a fortnight. It would thus seem at least that he expects to be absent for a prolonged period. In 1953, the Premier underwent

three successive operations after which doctors told him that he should lead a quiet life. In recent months, he has been seriously overworked and for several weeks has had only three or four hours of sleep a night.

Lady Eden said tonight he was "very tired," but apart from that, "there was nothing wrong with him." He was anxious to return from his enforced rest as quickly as possible, she said. Lady Eden was speaking at the new headquarters of the Galeshead Conservative Association.—France-Press.

Hamarskjold Talks With Nasser LLOYD, PINEAU DISSATISFIED

Washington, Nov. 20. The British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, and the French Foreign Minister, M. Christian Pineau, are reported to be dissatisfied so far with what Mr. Dag Hammarskjold, Secretary General of the U.N., told them yesterday about his talks with the Egyptian President Colonel Nasser concerning Anglo-French evacuation from the Suez Canal.

Usually reliable sources said Mr. Lloyd and M. Pineau would confer with Mr. Hammarskjold again today in the hope of getting further clarification of his talks with Colonel Nasser. They said the impressions of Mr. Lloyd and M. Pineau so far seemed to be that Mr. Hammarskjold was inclined to lean to the Egyptian view that the main task of the United Nations police force on the Canal should be to get the Anglo-French forces out and then leave that area themselves.

Clearing Operations

They said apparently M. Pineau and Mr. Lloyd had not been told by Mr. Hammarskjold that Colonel Nasser would be willing for some United Nations force to remain in the Canal area while the U.N. cleared obstructions.

There had been some newspaper reports to this effect but apparently they were unfounded. The sources said if Nasser, in fact, would agree to a United Nations force remaining in the Canal area during clearing operations, this time period would allow negotiations to be undertaken under United Nations auspices to reach a Suez settlement.

Under those conditions it would obviously be possible for the Anglo-French forces to leave. In New York, Mr. Selwyn Lloyd promised that British forces would be withdrawn from Egypt once an "effective" international force was ready to take over.

Speaking at a dinner in his honour given by the Pilgrims of the United States Society, he said: "Our promise to withdraw stands; when there is an effective international force charged with the duty of carrying out the United Nations resolution." Mr. Lloyd admitted at the outset of his speech that as far as Anglo-American relations were concerned, there had been an "acute" difference of opinion on the Middle East problem. "It would be wrong to take that too tragically," he said, but added, "on the other hand it would be equally wrong to minimize it and to pretend that there is not a job to be done in restoring the intimacy of our alliance."

Arab Move

At the United Nations, delegations of 11 Arab nations in a letter to the Secretary-General, have asked for the immediate withdrawal of Israeli forces behind the Egyptian-Israeli demarcation line, it was disclosed today.

The letter referred to press descriptions saying that the Israeli authorities had committed "acts of brutality" against the inhabitants of the Gaza region and Palestine Arab refugees. It accused the Israeli authorities of "carrying out assassinations, deportations, acts of terrorism and intimidation."

The Arab delegations asked the Secretary-General to bring this matter to the attention of the United Nations members. Norway notified the United Nations today it would increase its original contribution to the Emergency Police Force enough to make possible a joint Danish-Norwegian battalion.—All Agencies.

Students Guard U-Mines

Belgrade, Nov. 20. Hungary's uranium mines in the Mecsek mountains near the Yugoslav frontier are in the hands of about 6,000 Hungarian youths, mainly students, aided by more than 200 miners.

Hungarian refugees, who reached Yugoslavia today, reported this. Although they were encircled by the Russians, the youths were well supplied with arms and could hold out for a long time, the refugees said.

Thought It Was Suez

The refugees confirmed that Soviet reinforcements particularly of infantry, had been brought into Hungary in the last few days. They said that Soviet troops, which had been stationed for some time in south and east Hungary had been replaced by fresh Mongolian troops.

The Mongolians had only the vaguest idea of the country where they had come and thought that the Tisza river was the Suez Canal, the refugees said.

In Budapest, for the first time, buses began to make their rounds again today. Some trams have begun operating again in the outlying parts of the city, but not in the centre of the city. Most shops except those selling food supplies, remained closed.

Tanks Still There

In the southern suburbs of Csepel, where the destruction was widespread, Soviet tanks remained posted at street corners. The Rakosi metalworks was not working but a large number of workers were there to get their daily food.—All Agencies.

Poland To Take Western Aid

Warsaw, Nov. 20. The Polish Government intends to seek economic aid from the West, well-informed sources said tonight.

These sources said such aid would only be accepted if completely free of any political conditions. It is expected that Poland will sound out the Western powers on the prospects of such aid through diplomatic channels.—France-Press.

U.S. Move To Restart Oil Flow

Damascus, Nov. 20. The United States has asked Syria to resume the flow of oil through 13 pipelines to prevent a West European economic setback, informed sources said today.

The sources said Syria refused to commit itself before the withdrawal of Anglo-French and Israeli troops from Egypt. The flow of oil through this country ceased last month when pumping stations of the Iraq Petroleum Company were blown up.

Informed sources said the U.S. Ambassador, Mr. James Mooney, presented a note to the Syrian Government appealing to Syria to permit the resumption of oil flow in order to prevent an economic crisis in Western Europe, where consumption of petroleum products has already been drastically cut. The sources said the Syrian Government answered that it was unwilling to take any action before the withdrawal of foreign troops from Egyptian soil.—United Press.

UN Police Held Up

Port Said, Nov. 20. United Nations police force field headquarters in the Suez Canal zone today called off the planned movement of one company of Norwegian troops into Port Said tomorrow as official Allied clearance was not completed in time.—Reuter.

Russians Expel American Reporter

Moscow, Nov. 20. The Soviet Foreign Ministry Press section today requested Walter Hanger, "New York Times" permanent correspondent in Moscow, to leave Soviet territory by November 28 at the latest, Tass news agency announced tonight. Tass said this action was taken because Hanger had disobeyed regulations imposed on foreign correspondents in the Soviet Union "namely by taking photographs of hydro-electric plants."

The Foreign Ministry's press section said it did not hold anything against articles written by Mr. Hanger. Mr. Hanger said in Moscow tonight the issue involved was his photographing of the Dnieper dam during a trip to the Ukraine on October 1.

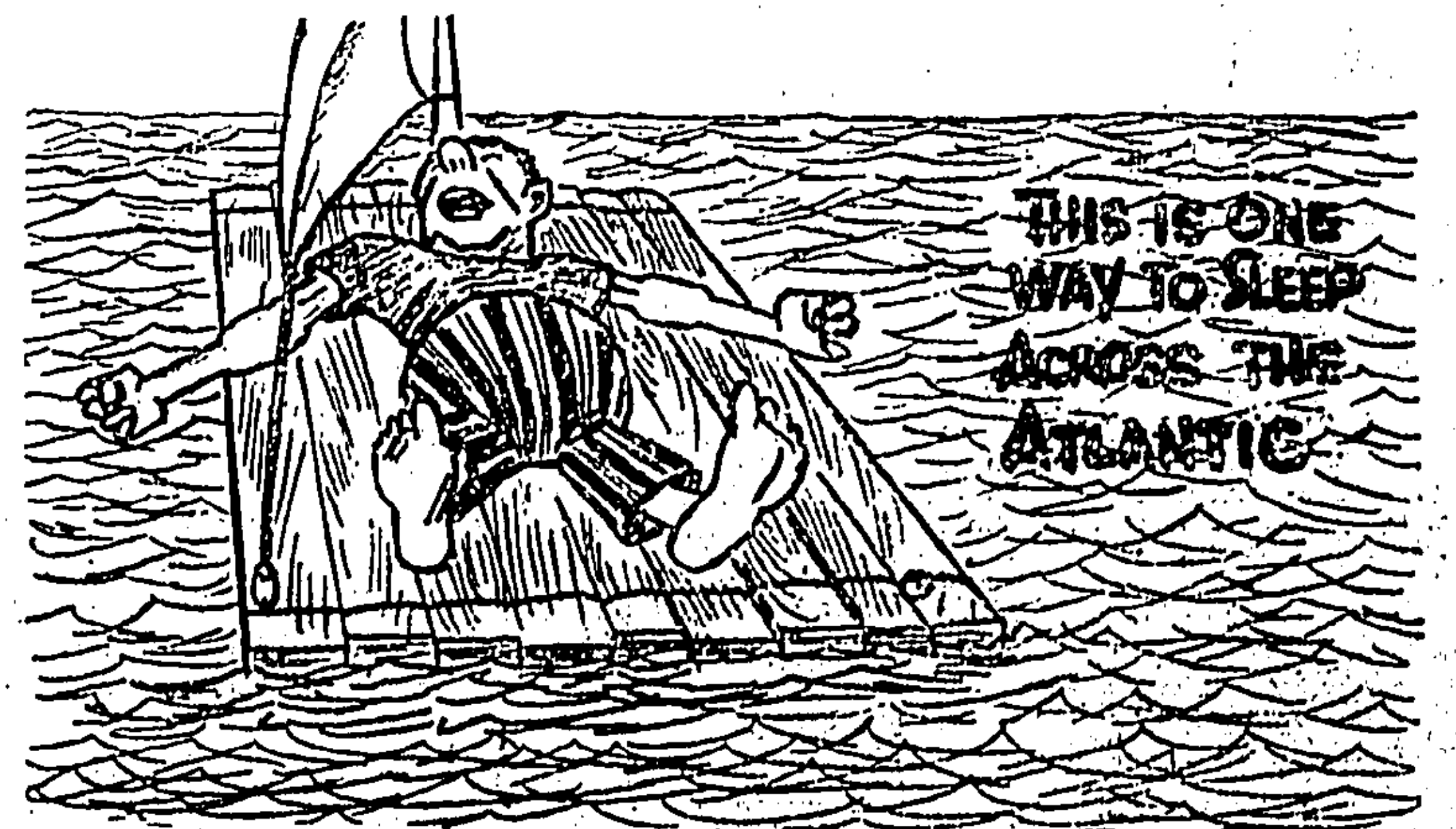
Got Permission

He said he got permission from duty guards and militia at the dam before taking the photographs. He said that after he had taken the photographs a militia vehicle arrived on the spot and he was asked by militiamen to make a written statement acknowledging the fact that he had photographed the dam.

Mr. Hanger said he had been taken to see the dam a first time in July, 1955, with a delegation of American farmers and had then been "requested" by the Soviet authorities to take photographs. Despite his explanations, the Soviet Foreign Ministry authorities maintained their order for him to leave the Soviet Union.—France-Press.

Jordan Move

Cairo, Nov. 20. The Middle East News Agency said tonight the Jordanian Chamber of Deputies approved a Foreign Affairs Committee recommendation that the Jordan Government abrogate her treaty with Britain and enter diplomatic relations with Russia and Communist China.—United Press.



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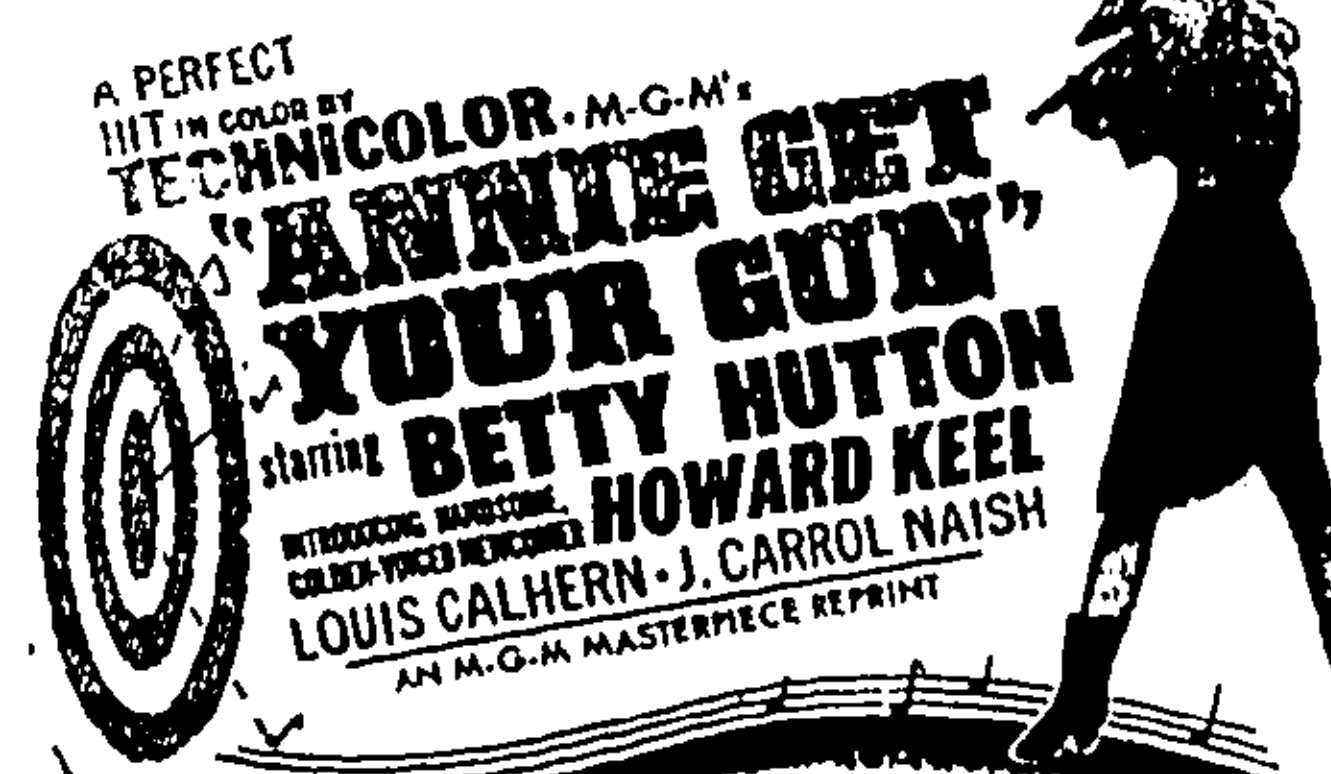
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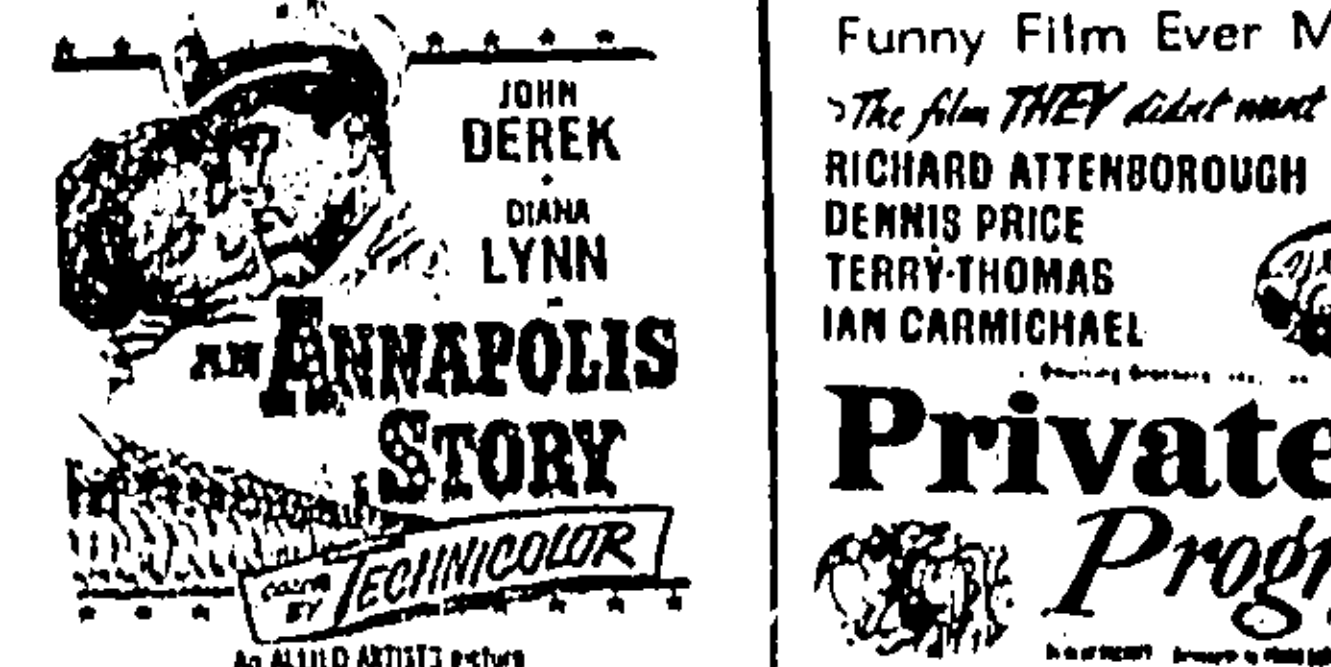


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UN POLICE FORCE



The first contingent of the United Nations police force for Suez. Picture top shows men of the police force Colombia detachment, at bottom, two police force sergeants take a drink in a Naples bar—Express Photo.

Deportations From Hungary

BURMA SUPPORTS CUBAN RESOLUTION

United Nations, Nov. 20.

Burma came out today in support of a demand that Russia stop deporting Hungarians and return those already deported.

Amha-sador U Pe Kin, head of the Burmese UN delegation, announced his government's stand in favour of firm United Nations action on Hungary during a speech to the General Assembly.

The new Burmese position came as a surprise. In an earlier UN debate on Hungary, Burma had more or less followed the leadership of India and had abstained from voting on another firm resolution successfully proposed by Italy and other states.

Reason

Pe Kin said his delegation would be in favour of the Cuban draft resolution designed to end mass deportations of Hungarian citizens to the Soviet Union.

He explained that Burma had abstained from voting on earlier resolutions on Hungary "because time and tide had not afforded it the opportunity of acting in conformity with its own principles." He recalled that later he had voiced his gov-

NEHRU'S POLICIES APPROVED

TWO MEN WALKED HOME

Bogota, Nov. 20.

Columbia's subsoil is fabulously rich in mineral deposits and wherever you dig you may find ores of all kinds. If such deposits can be proved, of course, the value of the land rises substantially and dishonest claims are therefore not uncommon.

Some time ago, far down in the south, the country, one in two hundred miles in the wilderness, far from any inhabited place, a man claimed to have found valuable copper ore deposits.

As it was their duty, two employees of Ministerio de Minas went with the claimant to the site where the ore had been discovered.

FINALLY ARRIVED

For hours they traveled by jeep until finally they arrived at the place where the claimant declared that the deposits were located. But the most minute search of the site did not reveal the slightest trace of copper ore or any other ores for that.

When the two men from the Ministry stated that they could not sign any document without the ore first, the claimant left them on the spot in a drove back alone.

The unfortunate civil servants had to walk back for days until they reached civilisation.—China Mail Special

MALAY AID FOR EGYPT

Kuala Lumpur, Nov. 20.

An inter-tribal committee to be known as the Egyptian Relief Fund Committee, to send aid to Egyptian victims of war was set up at Kuala Lumpur yesterday.

Inche Abdullah Yassin, Malay chairman at the meeting, said that the medical relief and social aid to Egypt was a symbol of brotherhood from the people of Malaysia towards the Egyptians. The aid would be for Egyptians only and not for Israel, he said.

Good Trout Fishing

Johannesburg, Nov. 20.

After four years of trout "farming" in the Northern Transvaal, Mr L. G. Williamson, a former Johannesburg stockbroker, reports that South African trout are as good as any in the world.

Recently Mr Williamson has caught trout weighing 3 lb 15 oz and 4 lb 8 oz which, he claims, are in good class, and other sportsmen in the Margobakloof area have had similar catches.—China Mail Special.

Unified Militarily Neutral Germany

Moscow, Nov. 20.

Soviet Communist Party First Secretary, Nikita Khrushchev, told a German "peace partisan" delegation that the Soviet Union would like to see a unified "militarily neutral" Germany with an independent internal and foreign policy.

The delegation, which consisted of nine East German and nine West German members of the "peace partisan" organisation, had an interview yesterday with Khrushchev in the presence of Soviet Premier, Nikolai Bulganin.

Spokesmen for the delegation said that Khrushchev indicated he did not believe that the two Germanies could reach immediate agreement, because of the fact that they had lived under separate regimes for 11 years.

Khrushchev said that a new world war would be impossible if the German and Soviet peoples, who had suffered the heaviest losses in the last war, were together, the delegation said.

The delegation quoted Khrushchev as saying that East Germany did not want to impose its regime on West Germany but that the contrary was also unthinkable.—France Press.

Hungarian And Egyptian Events Reviewed

New Delhi, Nov. 20.

The Indian Prime Minister, Mr Nehru, told Parliament today that "the warfare in Hungary resulting in suppression by Soviet troops would probably have taken a very different turn if there had been no invasion of Egypt."

Replying to a two-day session of the House of the People (lower house) which overwhelmingly approved the Government's policy, Mr Nehru said he felt that India should not leave the Commonwealth.

He said the first question now was to prevent the situation in the Middle East from deteriorating towards war. "We feel that any such action as leaving the Commonwealth would not tend to help in improving the situation but would rather make it worse... we do think that it would be wrong for us merely to show our indignation at certain things which have happened and to cut off this Commonwealth connection," he said.

'Good For Us'

Mr Nehru added: "We think it is good for us and, if I may say so, with all respect, good for England too."

The Prime Minister criticised suggestions by the Opposition that the Prime Minister of Hungary, Mr János Kadar was a "Quisling."

He said India frequently exchanged appraisals of the European situation with Yugoslavia and had to some extent been guided by her.

He quoted from Marshal Tito's recent speech saying that Yugoslavia must help the Kadar Government and added: "Kadar perhaps does not command a majority of the Hungarian people but to call this man who has been in prison under the Communists and who has only recently been freed a Quisling is to go to the extreme limit of irresponsible thinking."

Mr Nehru said there had been suggestions of differences between the Indian Government and its delegation at the United Nations on the vote over Hungary.

Will Abstain

"I would like to say that there is complete union of thinking and acting between the Government of India and our delegation to the United Nations."

He said the resolution alleging deportations from Hungary was coming up in the United Nations today. He thought the whole conception of deportation was distasteful and extremely bad. But it was not for a responsible body like the United Nations to pass judgment without enquiry.

India was proposing that the servers be sent to find out the facts, "if our resolution is taken up and passed, well and good. If other resolutions come up, we will abstain," he said.

Mr Nehru said that countries were thinking of the Hungarian or Egyptian questions as pawns on a chessboard. "The Soviet Union forgets about Hungary and puts a cover on it and talks about Egypt. Other countries forget about Egypt and talk about Hungary only," he said.

Strong Line

He added that it was obvious that the objective of the "propaganda" that followed India's stand in the United Nations on Hungary was to run

War Bonuses For US Seaman

New York, Nov. 20.

The International Shipping Company and States Marine Lines have agreed to pay double wages and other "war bonuses" to seamen sailing in the Middle East area, the National Maritime Union announced yesterday.

The NMU has been negotiating for the bonuses with the American Merchant Marine Institute, which represents about 40 steamship companies on the Atlantic and Gulf coasts. The identical agreements provide that the sailors be paid double for all time they spend in the "war" areas. The bonuses are retroactive to October 25, when Israel's independence was proclaimed.

OIL OUTPUT REDUCED

Dhaka, Nov. 20.
Oil companies in India announced plans today to reduce oil output following a boycott on British oil tankers by what labourers in protest against the Anglo-French attack on Egypt.

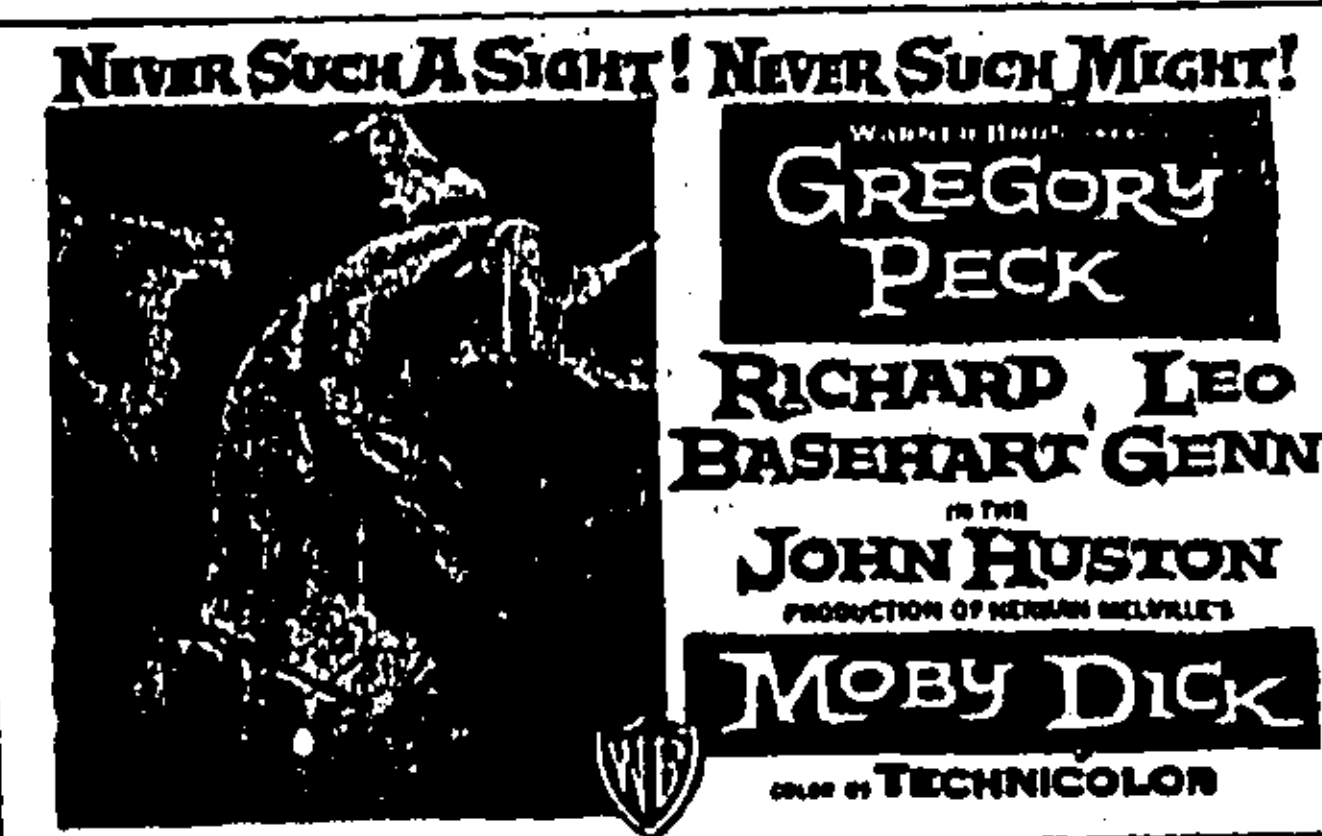
The Royal Dutch-Shell Company (RDM) announced it had cut production by 80 per cent in South Sumatra to prevent storage tanks at Pudu from overflowing.

The Standard Vacuum announced today it would be compelled to reduce its production to below the consumption rate.—Reuters.

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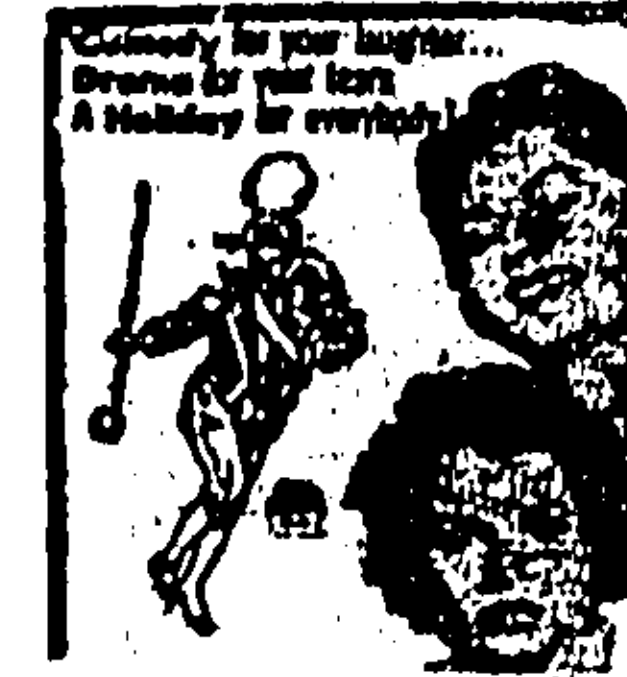
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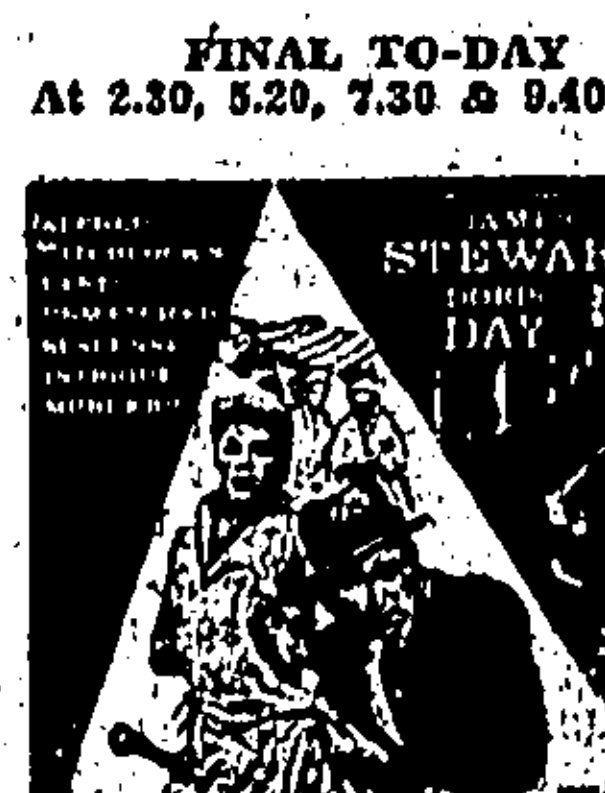
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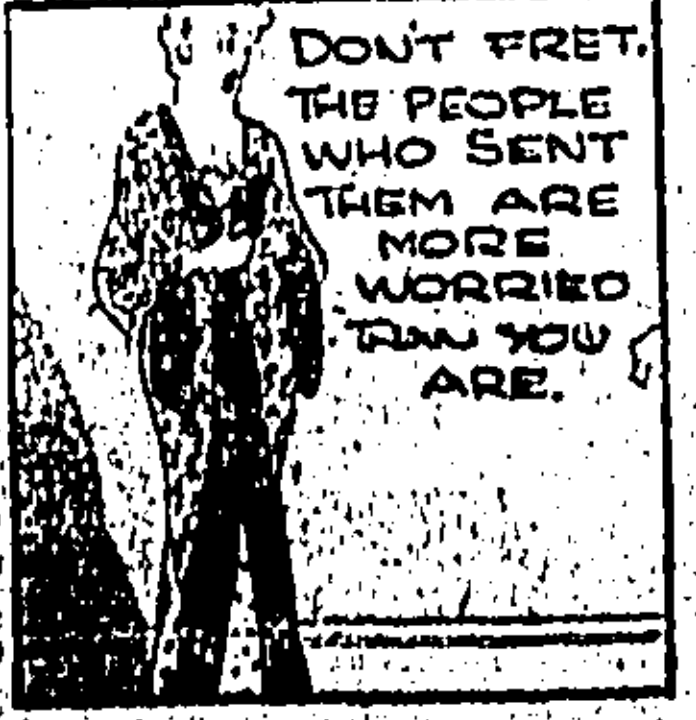
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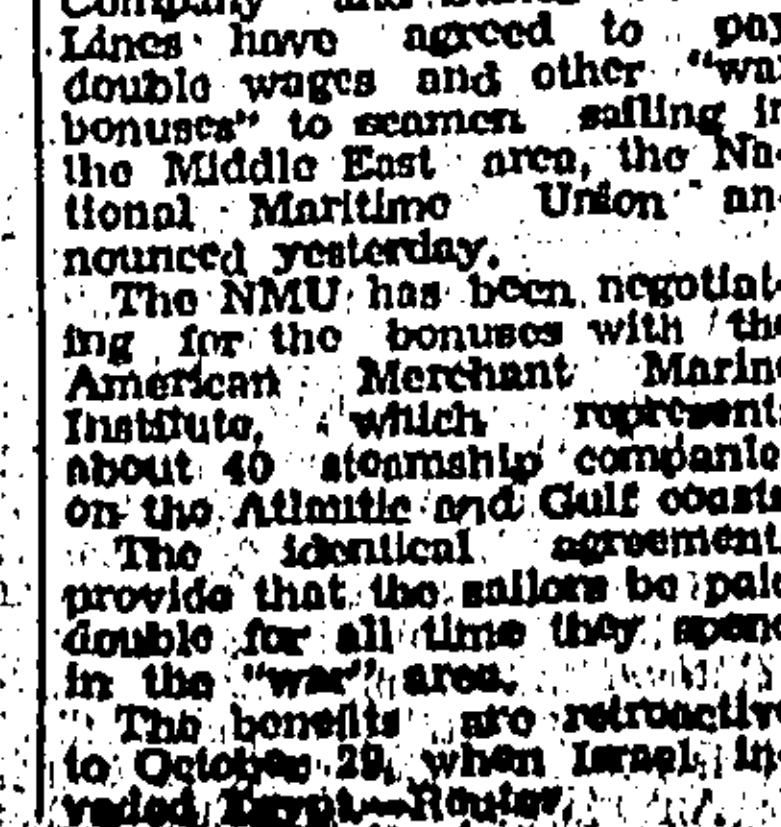
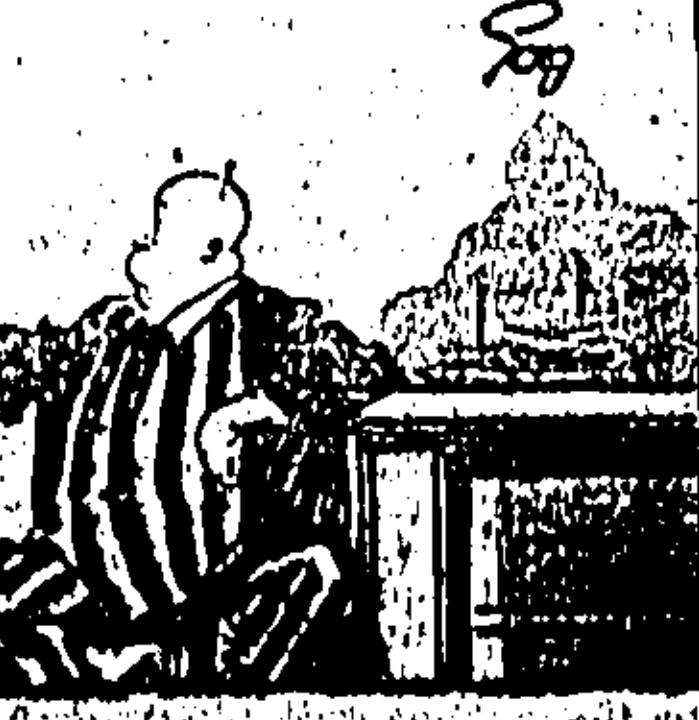
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RUSSO-EGYPTIAN CONSPIRACY DENIED BY CAIRO

Counter Allegations Against Anglo-French Allies And Israeli Government

London, Nov. 20.

The Government of Egypt in a statement broadcast over Cairo Radio tonight asked the United Nations to investigate British, French and Israeli "lies" claiming that there was a conspiracy between Egypt and the Soviet Union in the Middle East.

Egypt has further asked the United Nations in its statement to investigate "conspiracies" committed by British and French forces in Port Said, and Israeli atrocities committed on the refugees, the radio said.

It has also asked for the formation of an international investigation committee to that purpose and for punishment of the "criminals" responsible for these atrocities.

The Egyptian Government also accused Britain and France in the statement of "conspiring" with Israel to attack Egypt.

It also accused them of violating the 1956 Convention which called for freedom of navigation in the Suez Canal.

The Egyptian Government statement opened with the words:

Britain and France have done in Port Said, and has sent them to the United Nations Organisation to acquit all international delegations with these atrocities violating the human rights.

"The Government of Egypt announcing these atrocities asks the United Nations Organisation for an urgent investigation."

The Egyptian Government statement in the "two and a half states" have put forward justifications for their actions to mislead world public opinion by "accusing" Egypt of having secret dealings with Russia.

Sir Anthony Eden, the statesman, said, declared on November 17 "I prefer not to say anything at this time" and refused to answer questions on the subject available to him on the subject.

The statement, referring to similar statements by Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, Mr. Peter Thorneycroft and Mr. Harold Macmillan, said the Government of Egypt declares that all the statements are "unjustified" and "a part of a plot to justify the aggression and occupation of Egyptian territory."

Out Of Order

"Egypt was repelling a pre-arranged aggression in which Britain, France and Israel have conspired."

The statement, Egypt invites the United Nations to investigate these accusations.

"It has been announced by French, British and Israeli sources that Israel has seized Russian arms destined for use in Sinai and valued at 50,000,000 dollars."

"The Government of Egypt announces that this is a lie intended to mislead world public opinion."

"This equipment amounted to 20 T-34 tanks and 550 armoured troop carriers all out of service which our troops left behind after the decision to withdraw them from the Eastern border to meet the Anglo-French invasion."

Egypt invites the United Nations to investigate these mendacious claims to establish the facts before world public opinion."

The Egyptian Government statement added:

Operate Curfew

"If Britain, France and their partner Israel claim that there has been an agreed conspiracy between Egypt and Russia let them prove it before the world, reveal the evidence in support of their allegations and present it to the world."

The statement said that in Port Said Anglo-French troops operate a curfew and fire on women and children and force people to work "under armed threat." At Fafah, El Arish and Gaza, Israeli forces were taking retaliatory action against the population and "a great number" of Arab refugees were killed by them in Gaza, more than 50 in one action.

"We ask the United Nations and its appropriate committees, in co-operation with the International Red Cross Association and the committee for the rights of man, to form a committee with the object of investigating the effects of the barbarous aggression against Egypt and Gaza."

Sent To Hammarskjold

The statement concluded that Egypt demanded "punishment for the aggressors who must be brought to answer for their aggression."

Cairo Radio later said the statement was sent to Mr. Dag Hammarskjold, United Nations Secretary-General, and distributed to all delegations.



11 YEARS TOO LATE

These four Japanese soldiers recently left their mountain hideout at Roxas in the Philippines and gave themselves up to military authorities — after they had been informed that the second world war had been over for 11 years. Staple diet in their plateau hideout was root crops.—Express Photo.

FEDERAL MEDIATORS WILL ATTEMPT TO END DISPUTE

New York, Nov. 20.

United States Federal mediators will attend negotiations between dockers and ship owners in New York today in an effort to end the five-day strike, which has paralysed shipping along the Atlantic seaboard and Gulf of Mexico.

Chou Pledges Support For N. Vietnam

London, Nov. 20.

Mr Chou En-lai and Marshal Ho Lung, China's Premier and Vice-Premier, who are on a tour of South Asia today visited a match factory and a railway workshop in the outskirts of Hanoi, the New China News Agency reported.

In a speech to over 20,000 workers Mr Chou emphatically stated that China was duty-bound to assist Vietnam because a prosperous and strong Vietnam was in the interest of the people of both Vietnam and China, the agency added.

"I guarantee that China will always abide by the five principles (of peaceful co-existence) and resolutely oppose great nation chauvinism," Mr Chou declared at a reception given by the Chinese Ambassador to Vietnam, Mr Lo Kue-po in the evening, the agency announced later.

North Vietnam President Ho Chi Minh also attended the reception.—Reuter.

Dalai Lama To Attend Celebration

Paris, Nov. 20.

The Dalai Lama, spiritual ruler of Tibet, left his palace in Lhasa today to attend the 2,500th anniversary of the birth of Buddha, the New China News Agency reported in Peking in a dispatch from Lhasa.

Before leaving, the Dalai Lama said to a gathering of over 10,000 Buddhist monks and nuns who had come to see him off, that his visit would "contribute to a better appreciation of the Buddhist doctrine of immortality and eternal life, and the elimination of sickness and sufferings, as well as the safeguarding of lasting peace in the world."—France-Press.

FREIGHTER LAUNCHED

Rouen, Nov. 20.

The freighter Oriental Star (13,300 tons) built for the Hongkong Maritime Foundation Agency was launched today at the Loire Normandie shipyard on the river Seine.

The Oriental Star is the first ship built in France for a foreign shipowner.—France-Press.

Colourful Headhunter Dies At 86

Labuan, Nov. 20.

Iban tribesmen in the interior of Borneo are mourning the death of Temenggong Koh Anak Jubang — former headhunter, holder of the medal of the British Empire, friend of Mr Malcolm MacDonald, Britain's former Commissioner-General for Southeast Asia.

Temenggong Koh, paramount chief of the Iban Kelang river, died in his chieftain's longhouse, on November 4. He was aged 86.

He had led a life full of adventure. In his early days he organised an attack on eight longhouses of the rival Kenyah tribe to avenge the murder of his uncle.

He returned from that highly successful raid with seven heads.

FOUGHT JAPANESE

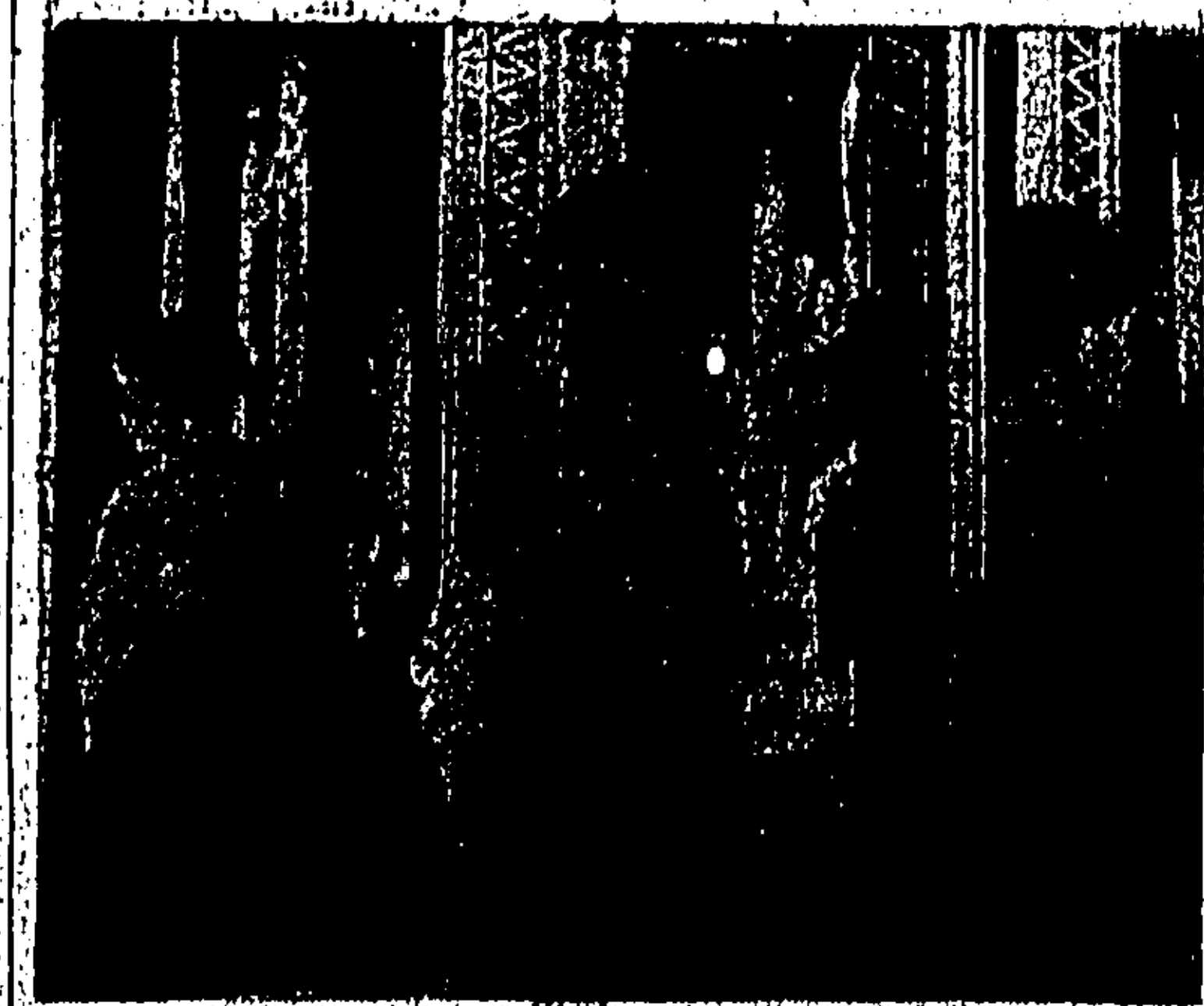
When the Government of the White Rajah of Sarawak banned headhunting he took to the hills and lived as an outlaw. But after he was captured and fined he began a period of wholehearted co-operation with the authorities.

He was decorated with the MBE in 1947 for fighting the Japanese and in 1953 he received Queen Elizabeth's medal for chiefs.

In 1949 the Temenggong, his wife and two children went to Singapore as guests of Mr MacDonald.

During his five day stay there he had his first train and plane rides and said one of the most fascinating things he saw was "Joget modern" — Malay for modern dancing or boogie woogie.—China Mail Special.

Informal Prince



Lam, who has been the informal prince of Sarawak since the death of his father, the late Rajah, is seen here by photographer Tony Armstrong-Jones. He stands in the doorway of one of the state rooms of Sarawak. — Express Photo.

POLES MUST KEEP QUIET ABOUT TITO

Warsaw, Nov. 20.

The Soviet attack on Marshal Tito will probably force Poland's "Titoite" new regime to postpone its informal invitation for the Yugoslav President to visit Poland, informed sources said today.

Polish leader Wladyslaw Gomulka, just back from a Moscow mission cementing future Polish-Soviet relations, would hesitate to entertain Tito during a period when the accent is on Russian friendship, they said.

It is an odd situation because the Tito speech which drew Moscow's fire included the firmest declaration of support yet for Gomulka's liberal regime.

Remarks Condemned

The Polish Communist Party organ Tribuna Lodu, today published large excerpts from the Soviet party organ Pravda dispatch condemning Tito's remarks.

In an interview published by the official newspaper Zycie Warszawy today, Poland's new economic chief Stefan Jedrychowski was asked "do you think the Moscow talks will have any impact on our seeking credits in Western countries?" The State Planning Commission head replied:

"Our achievements in Moscow have in principle eliminated the necessity for a loan in the West — at least, however, which does not exclude the possibility of such a transaction under conditions which are favourable to us."

Economists pointed out that one part of the Soviet aid programme amounted to a multi-million-dollar hard currency loan.

Wheat Deal

Poland had been prepared to buy dollar wheat from Canada until Russia made its offer of 1,400,000 tons. At the present price for Canadian wheat in London, such a purchase would have cost about \$121.6 million.

In effect, the wheat grant left Poland free to use its hard currency resources to buy other products in the West.

Pravda rages against the speech of Communist Tito, and Tribuna Lodu's headline: "The newspaper offered no comment whatsoever on Pravda's remarks, neither in favour of them nor against them."

The silence was significant because Tito's speech against the Soviet "system" and its results in Hungary was well received among officials and the people here when first published.

Plans were already being made two days ago for an expected state visit by Tito to Poland, his first since Yugoslavia's 1948 breakaway from the Cominform.

Foregone Conclusion

Such a trip was to be expected, for Poland was the first of the other European nations to follow the Tito lead in liberalising its regime.

Although no official announcement of such a trip had been made, it was a foregone conclusion that Tito would come here shortly. The Pravda editorial changed that.

The official Polish press, instead of commenting on Pravda and Tito, concentrated today on

hailing the Polish-Soviet declaration which Gomulka brought home with him from Moscow yesterday.

In return for considerable economic aid and firm control over Soviet military movements in Poland, Gomulka conceded Russia the right to keep its forces here.

Tribuna Lodu, in a front page editorial headlined "The road has been cleared," said that the "most profound lesson" of Gomulka's negotiations is that Communist development hinges on "realisation of the principle of equality of rights and of the respect of sovereignty in relations between nations."

The Government — sponsored Catholic organ Slowo Powszechne termed the Polish-Soviet declaration "a historical document and a turning point in Polish-Russian relations."

General Feeling

Zygie Warszawy, in an editorial headed "Friendship needs truth," offered an interesting comparison between Poland and Hungary.

"The Polish Government does not want the Soviet troops to go from its country — unlike the former Hungarian Government — because Soviet troops are the best guarantee against German militarist tendencies," said Zygie Warszawy.

This comment summed up the general feeling of many if not most Poles, who count on Russian support to guarantee continued Polish control over the rich land annexed from Germany after World War II.—United Press.

Round The World By Motor-Cycle

Auckland, Nov. 20.

Four young Canadians, all from Vancouver, are setting out on their second stage of seeing the world the cheap way.

They are leaving Auckland for the Bay of Islands on motor-cycles.

The quartet, Mr and Mrs Peter Davel and Mr and Mrs David Stirling, plan to spend two more months in New Zealand — they have already spent five working at odd jobs to save cash — on a tour here.

They bought their motor-cycles second-hand. They have already seen most of their own country and the United States.

PLANS VAGUE

After New Zealand, their plans are vague but they will probably go to Australia, India and thence the Continent... perhaps even turning south to Africa.

Their hobbies are on their backs. Motor-cycles are "definitely out." They have amassed a sizeable and practical collection of camping gear and "cooling utensils for their travels" over the world the cheap way.—China Mail Special.

North Vietnam Aid For The South

Hanoi, Nov. 20.

The Government of North Vietnam today offered 50,000 tons of rice, clothes and medical stores to victims of the typhoon which has been raging in South Vietnam.

The offer was made in a letter from North Vietnamese Minister for Social Affairs, Nguyen Zien to his opposite number in South Vietnam.

In his letter, Nguyen Zien said he hoped the South Vietnamese Government would accept the offer of the Hanoi Government. He added that the "war" story to hear of the devastation caused by the typhoon, and expressed his sympathy with the victims.—France-Press.

Hammarskjold Submitting Reports Today

United Nations, Nov. 20.

The two reports on the Egyptian situation, which have been drawn up by the United Nations Secretary-General, Mr Dag Hammarskjold, will be published here today and submitted to the General Assembly Bureau, it was announced from the UN Secretariat.

Sources close to the Secret General said the reports will be the chairman of the Suez Canal and the United Nations Secretariat Middle East police force.

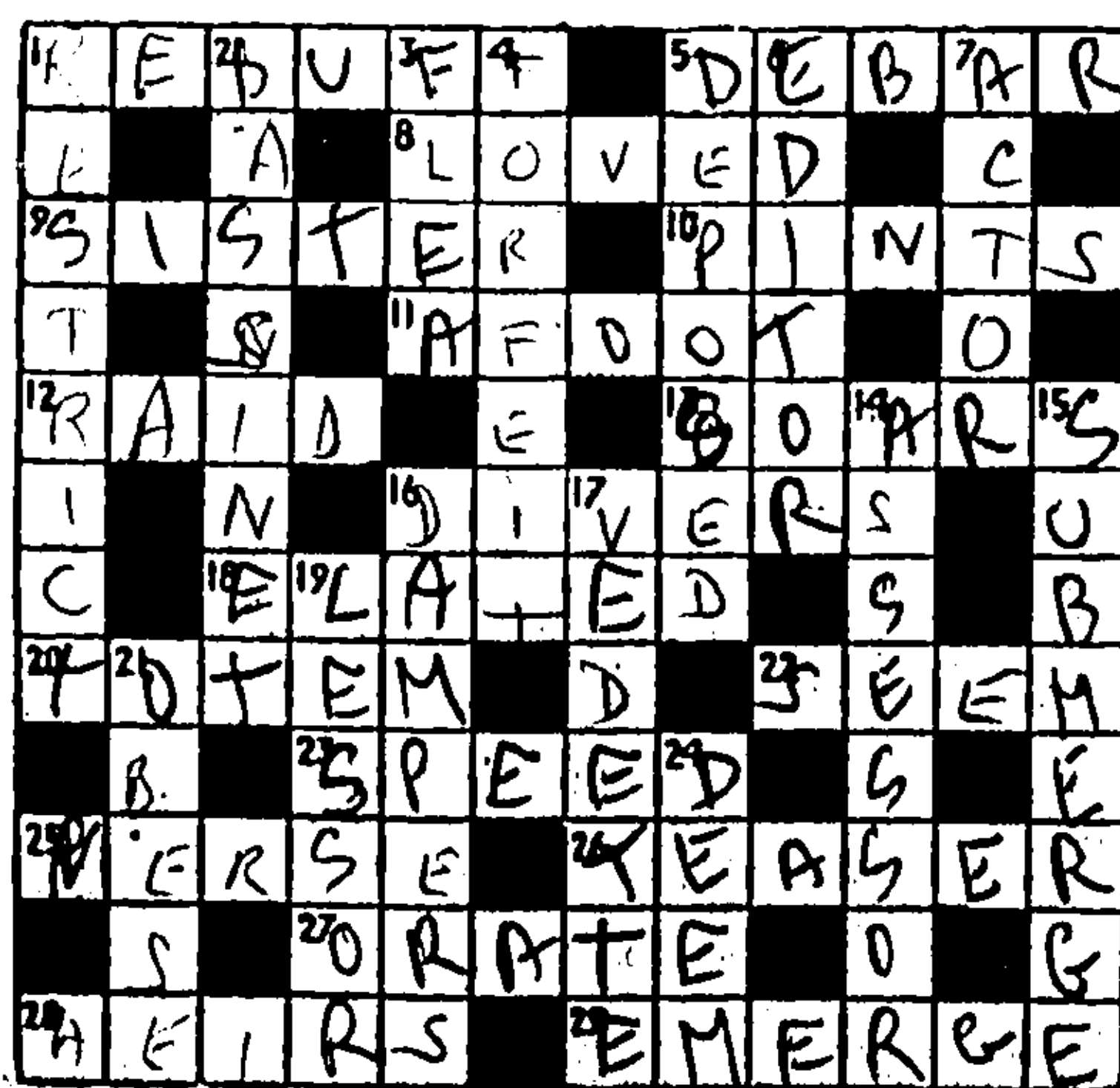
It is expected that the chairman of the Canal will be undertaken by the United Nations in a form of aid to Egypt with the co-operation of specialised commercial firms.

Hammarskjold's report on the police force will state the General Assembly mandate, authorising the force to supervise the co-operation in Egypt of the withdrawal of British, French and Israeli forces.—France-Press.

Rooster For £38

A rooster fetched 350 marks (about £38 sterling) at an auction in Hannover, reports the West German Cattle Breeders' Association. — China Mail Special.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS
- Set-back (6).
 - Exclude (6).
 - Like exceedingly (5).
 - Blood relation (6).
 - Points—nothing less! (5).
 - Walking (5).
 - Foray (4).
 - Rises into the air (6).
 - Sundry (6).
 - Delighted (6).
 - Tribal emblem (6).
 - Appear (4).
 - Rate (6).
 - Poetry (6).
 - Difficult question (6).
 - Speak (6).
 - Successors (6).
 - Come out (6).
- DOWN
- Limit (8).
 - Cradle (8).
 - Insect (4).
 - Loss by fault (7).
 - Removed from office (7).
 - Press chief (6).
 - Is he never himself? (8).
 - Valuer (8).
 - Place below water (8).
 - Depressing influences (7).
 - Mounted sentry (7).
 - Landlord (6).
 - Fat (6).
 - Judge (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1. Pa-rol, 5. Desks, 8. After, 9. Income, 11. Enter, 12. Pencil, 14. Lapse, 16. Erect, 18. Rural, 19. Acid, 20. Deeper, 21. Pencil, 22. Renew, 23. East, 27. Reels, 28. Enthus, Down: 1. Pair, 2. Ship, 3. Lane, 4. Eject, 5. Dresser, 6. Settled, 7. Strain, 10. Aroma, 13. Prosper, 14. Arise, 15. Pledge, 17. Ripen, 18. Averse, 21. Felt, 22. Pencil, 23. Acid.

THE KISS IS TABOO

—even Hollywood daren't allow it



STARS FIGHT BAN ON WORD 'LOVE'

T Grenada, West Indies since films began that there can never, never be shown on the screen a love interest between people of different colour.

unit making "I land in the Sun." For what is being put on the screen has never before been attempted.

This: A love affair between a coloured girl (played by Dorothy Dandridge) and a white man (John Justin), which ends in marriage; and the love affair between white Joan Fontaine and coloured Harry Belafonte which could end in marriage but is stopped short by the script which says: "It could not work between a white woman and a coloured man."

All enough to make the censor hop with anxiety because it has been the rule

Forbidden, forbidden, forbidden — unless it is a Red Indian film and not serious.

This might be called courage or crusade or something.

THEY'LL LAUGH

IT wasn't just calculated controversy good for box office which made some of the raft load of stars angry with the director.

Dorothy Dandridge and John Justin shot their big scene in a summer house in the grounds of the Governor's residence on a hill overlooking the town of

TO a part of the world where the "colour problem" hardly exists... Hollywood has taken its own strict code of "must nots" for the relations between black and white. It is a code that brings about some bizarre situations... here reported by DAVID LEWIN...

Saint Georges, with its ancient harbour and lagoon.

"We are in love," they say — "known it from the first." Not very original perhaps, but whereas any other film couple in the circumstances would kiss, Miss Dandridge and Mr Justin must not.

Why not? they ask. Because you don't, says director Robert Rossen.

It is so silly, says Miss Dandridge, people will laugh.

You still do not, says director.

NO KISSING

LATER Miss Dandridge says: "John and I had to fight to say the word love — at first the line was 'You know how we feel' — as though it could have been pain we felt. Even now, although we go off to England together in the picture, and it is perfectly obvious we are going to get married, neither one of us is allowed to use the actual word marriage on the screen."

"Why don't we shoot two versions? An honest one for countries which can take it and another version for countries which cannot?"

The same problem with Joan Fontaine and Harry Belafonte. Says Miss Fontaine: "At least I have made

them agree that Harry and I can drink out of the same coconut together in a scene. But they insist on kissing, and that we give one another up at the end of the picture. We have tried fighting, but it is like fighting marshmallows."

Joan Collins has her love scenes with Boyd, and Miss Collins is about the most untroubled member of the company. "I don't worry about anything very much," she says sitting on the sand.

"I just work on principle that every film may be my last and that way nothing can surprise me. I have got one marriage behind me (to actor Maxwell Reed) and I do not want to get involved in another."

"I haven't really got a home anywhere now—I have let my Hollywood apartment I had and I just travel around living out of seven suitcases and two trunks."

DIFFERENCE

"NOBODY believed in me very much in England when I filmed there."

"The big difference between filming in London and Hollywood is this:—

THE stars of the film that has given Hollywood one of its trickiest subjects: the colour bar. Left to right: Dorothy Dandridge, Stephen Boyd, Patricia Owens, novelist Alec Waugh, Joan Fontaine, Joan Collins, James Mason. Second row: Michael Rennie, Harry Belafonte (partly hidden), John Justin.

Out of view: the ever-watching censor.

"In London they kept saying 'learn to be an actress'—and by now, had I stayed, I suppose I should have been working in repertory in Golders Green."

"In Hollywood they get excited and say you're great when they mean you're good and they say you're good when they mean you're awful."

"I prefer the Hollywood method."

"I don't like actors or actresses very much so I do not spend much time with them. I prefer going around with the crew and the technicians."

"I marry a man in this picture at the end, although there is big drama when I find I am quarter-coloured or something."



NATHANIEL GURBINS

SHE had come to help with the washing-up and was very cross with the Russians.

She has been cross with the Russians for some time. She never trusted them, even when she was a girl, which was many years ago.

Whenever she is upset about international affairs it is our crockery that suffers. We lost a couple of plates and the handles of two breakfast cups during the Berlin airlift.

Even when Stalin died and clever people saw "the dawn of a new era," she saw only Russian juggery-pokery and stirred savagely at the washing-up in the enamel basin, chipping three saucers.

Her honest face was white with fury when Bulgarian and Krushchev came over last spring with their gifts of saucers and a baby bear, and had the impudence to speak to "our dear little Queen." We had to buy several new plates the next day.

"Our dear little Queen," she said at the time, "didn't ought to be asked to meet them cunning savages. They'll ask her to meet the monkeys at the Zoo next."

After reading the news on this particular day last week she arrived shaking with indignation. Boiling-hot water was poured into the basin. Plates, cups, dishes, and knives and forks were hurled after it.

Her mop was welded like a sword. Her whole body quivered, and we knew our crockery was about to meet its Waterloo.

"I'd give 'em saucers," she said, and bang went a teacup on the draining board. "What are them Communists doing with saucers, anyway?"

We tried to save a dish before it was cracked on the draining board, but "little Queen," she said, "ought to send back her saucer with a letter saying, 'We don't accept fur coats from bloodthirsty, murdering peasants like you, thanks very much. So you can put that in your pipe and smoke it, you dirty foreign swine.' But I expect she's too much of a lady to do that."

We thought for a moment that her anger had exhausted itself and our crockery was safe. But as she was mopping round a china bowl she shouted suddenly.

"And as for that [crash went the bowl] bear, who's going to take that back?"

WEARILY...

THE buses are gaily painted and instead of numbers they have names on the back to indicate which route they run on. There is the Gold Dove bus, or Caribia, or Windsor Forest Pride.

Bus confidence advertises itself with this: "Humming a song of love, humming a song of thanksgiving for your passenger every day."

High on the hill flies the Union Jack over this star-splashed island in the sun.

Wearily, at the end of a day's work, director Rossen takes a drink and says: "I don't know why these actors are worrying me so much about their love scenes. After all, Grenada is not the world—and this is a movie and I'm paid to make it..."

Wicked gardeners

A COMPLAINT in a correspondence column that "fiddling about in the garden on Sunday morning keeps people out of church" has confirmed a suspicion I have held for a long time that there is something wicked about gardening, and particularly about professional gardeners.

As one who has employed professional gardeners, I have always been amazed at the hatreds and jealousies their work engenders.

No professional gardener, I found, will ever praise the work of another. Even book reviewers and unsuccessful playwrights who have become drama critics have never displayed more spite when assessing the value of a rival's efforts.

In fact, you have only to visit a village flower show, where you might expect to walk in beauty and see human nature at its best, to be profoundly shocked.

There among the bright blossoms and neat rows of prize vegetables, the warm summer air is electric with primitive emotions and the otherwise honest, though completely vacant, faces of ancient gardeners are distorted with hatred and envy these simple men who live with nature and know nothing of the fierce competition of the cities you might expect to hear cries of, "Well done, William," and, "Good luck, George," when prizes for the biggest marrow and the juiciest tomatoes are awarded.

Instead, all you hear are mutterings under heavy moustaches, and all you see are eyes flashing venom and snarled fists clenched in rage.

The correspondent might be interested to hear that these I knew went to last church on Sunday, but still hated the sight of each other on Monday.

The best years

ONCE again the old question: "What are the best years of your life?" has been asked, this time by a girl writing in a magazine.

As this girl seems to think the best years are romantic years "when every queue at a bus stop may be full of adventure" you have to ask yourself how many romantic years do you have in a lifetime?

If you judge men by American college boys, actors in Hollywood, and elderly American millionaires, the romantic years seem to last quite a time. They fall in love at almost any age between 18 and 80 and roughly about once a year.

This is because all men, even Englishmen, are polygamists by nature, the difference being that Englishmen don't seem to do much about it.

Most men follow only one of these love affairs to the bitter end, marrying the object of a passing whim. They spend the rest of their lives feeding, clothing, and housing the passing whim and its children.

During this time they are falling in and out of love with other women but suppress their natural inclinations either because they fear public opinion or because they can't afford it.

In some Eastern countries, where the polygamist nature of man is recognised, they fall in love several times a year and are able to do something about it, the classic case being King Solomon, who fell in love 1,000 times, married 1,000 women, and for some reason or other was called the wisest man on earth.

If you think the best years are the prosperous years you can ask: At what age am I likely to make the most money?

The answer is when you have been married to the passing whim for several years and have collected enough dependants to spend it on.

As the Government will take what the dependants have left, you might also ask: Why have I bothered to make any money at all?

There is no answer to this question. You may then ask: At what age does my personality undergo its greatest change?

After the honeymoon with the passing whim. When you have awakened from the romantic dream to the realities of bills, taxes, housing problems, the cost of fuel, lifts, tramfairs, and toddlers, your wife gets the first glimpse of the grumpy old bore you are going to be.

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THE TWO LIVES OF A GIRL CALLED MIMI

By GWEN ROBYNS

London. It is six years and a coronet away since I last spoke to Mimi. She was a 16-year-old then... and the centre of the great Farouk-Mimi affair.

You remember the whole business? It was said that Farouk was chasing her from one hotel to another on the Riviera, trying to make romantic headway.

It was a good story even if it wasn't true. Actually, an astute publicist had engineered the "romance."

For Mimi was the darling daughter of publicity-conscious U.S. restaurant millionaire William Modart. And dollars talked.

The other day I saw her again. She was shimmering and beautiful as a Snow Princess (by courtesy of Harry Belafonte and the family flares).

We are completely happy with our two pets (Mimi, a Fox-Mini, now the Goddess of Pearly cat that has gone every-

where with Mimi since she was 13, and Puddles, a beguiling Yorkshire terrier).

Yes, Mimi has come a long way since those golden days at Biarritz.

Gone is her "soda pop" exuberance—as she posed for pin-up beach pictures for the world's press. Instead I found a silky calm young woman saying: "I want to forget those days. Americans are glib, generous people. And we were no different."

Gone is the former Hollywood baby talk. Instead I heard a soft measured voice, cultured and "cut-glass." Gone are the ambitions to be a sizzling film star. Instead I found a home-loving, adoring wife.

"Isn't he the most handsome man you've ever seen?" she demanded, referring to her husband.

I agreed. Lord Coventry, ex-Grenadier Guards, looks pretty good. "I have a lovely flat, and we lead a very quiet life." We seldom go out.

"We are completely happy with our two pets (Mimi, a Fox-Mini, now the Goddess of Pearly cat that has gone every-

where with Mimi since she was 13, and Puddles, a beguiling Yorkshire terrier).

Until she married, Lady Coventry's culinary talent was strictly limited to making judicious Now she does her own cooking and runs her flat with a staff of one maid.

Even the facts of their marriage (which I am the first to tell) have a "true romance" flavour.

Two months after they met they eloped to Tangiers. Hand in hand they walked through the Kasbah.

He stopped to buy a bouquet of fresh orange-blossoms from a flower seller for their wedding-for-two at the American Consulate.

It hasn't always been easy since doing parents' bright Mimi to "do" Europe. And people have only always been kind.

But when she first looked into the eyes of Lord Coventry at a party just 18 months ago, she was half-way home. And the Cousins of Coventry has never looked back.

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Damaged cargo on this vessel will
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Consignees are requested to have
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the survey.

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Hongkong, November 21, 1956.

PERSIAN PROBE INTO LAND DEALS

State Property Registered

By Private 'Owners'

Teheran, Nov. 20.

The biggest land gamble in recent Persian history,
involving millions of dollars and many well-known names,
seems doomed to end in a national scandal.

Large fortunes have been
made by many private citizens
who bought State land illegally
during the slump five years ago
and resold them during the
recent boom for ten times the
cost price.

Now it is being said that they
were only able to register these
lands in their own names
through wholesale bribery.

Government investigators say
that almost every day they are
discovering flagrant instances of
corruption in the Bureau of
Land Registration in Teheran.

Payment Of Bribes

Enquiries have so far yielded
the fact that about 80 per cent
of land registered with private
citizens in the last 10 years
belonged in fact to the State
and was transferred to
individuals on payment of
bribes.

The Land Bureau has now
been closed and some officials
have been dismissed. More
dismissals are likely and when
the investigation closes it will
probably be followed by the
trial of those implicated—both
State officials and private
buyers of land.

Among the latter are reported
to be men high in the Govern-
ment service.

Newspapers have launched a
campaign for the lifting of
parliamentary immunity from
Members of Parliament involved
in the land scandal so that they
too can face trial.

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Teheran land values have
soared by as much as 20 or 30
times in the last 20 years.

Most people expect that land
values will go on rising so long
as the country remains
politically tranquil.

During the regime of Dr
Mohammed Mossadeq land
values either levelled off or
dropped slightly. Many astute
people, gambling on the fact
that Mossadeq's rule would
have to end some day and be
replaced by the full powers of

the Constitutional Monarchy,
bought up land at low prices in
1951 and 1952.

Since then the Communists
have been eliminated, political
confidence has been restored
and there has been a consequent
jump in land values.

There are other factors con-
tributing towards the steep rise
in land prices.

Teheran's population has
doubled since 1937, from 700,000
to 1,400,000 people. Since the
oil agreement in 1954 foreign
experts and technicians have
poured into the country to help
execute a \$300,000,000 seven-
year economic development
programme.

Highly Lucrative

Consequently at both levels—the
lucrative house and the
expensive city apartment—
pressure on available ac-
commodation and land is
fierce.

All this makes the Persian
land market a highly lucrative
one. When rewards are high
many people are prepared to
take a gamble.

The present investigation into
the whole land registration
situation was launched recently
by the newly-appointed
Minister of Justice, Mr
Abbasqoli Golshtayn who has
shown himself to be a prime
mover in the Government's
anti-corruption drive.

He is now pressing Parliament
to grant him emergency legisla-
tion which will permit him to
demand the return of State land
illegally acquired, or else com-
pensation in cash.

He has drawn a circle around
Teheran with a radius of 20

miles. To start with he is calling
for the return to State hands of
all lands illegally acquired lying
within this circle.

This move has caused con-
sideration in Teheran where it
is widely believed that millions
of acres are illegally held by
well-known men in civic life.

Some of these families face
stunning losses.

In many cases they have sold
their original land purchases
and put the profits into other
ventures such as cinemas, power
stations or building estates.

To find compensation for
their original land purchases
they may have to sell half-
completed building estates at a
loss—or face prison terms.

A Favourite

Land has always been a
favourite form of investment
here where there are few other
opportunities for investment.

The country has some light
industry which was created by
Reza Shah, father of the pre-
sent monarch, in the 1930's. But
these are expected to run and
machinery is run down.

Consequently there are no
dividends to be gained.—China
Mail Special.

Students Demonstrate



ARRESTED ON OLD WARRANT

Napier, Nov. 20.
A 60-year-old Napier store-
man has been arrested on a
warrant issued in 1928.

He was charged with fraud,
but for want of prosecution the
case was dismissed. The prin-
cipal witness was dead, and the
police could not offer any
evidence.—China Mail Special.

More than 1,000 French
students clashed with police
in Paris during a demonstra-
tion against the brutality of
the Soviet forces in Hungary.
Here is a section of the
crowd, outside the Sorbonne
Chapel. Flags in background
are French and Hungarian.—
Central Press Photo.

Tel-Aviv, Nov. 20.
A Soviet plane of the MIG-15
type was fished out of the sea
by an Israeli ship off the coast
of Egypt and was brought to
Haifa. It was reported today.
The plane is being examined
by experts.—France-Press.

Mail Notices

The latest times of posting
shown below are for sur-
face registered correspondence posted
at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest
posting times elsewhere which
in general are earlier than the
G.P.O. times can be ascertained
by enquiry at the local office.
The latest posting times for
registered articles are generally
one hour earlier than the times
shown below. Particulars regard-
ing parcel mails can be ascer-
tained by enquiry at any post
office.
Latest posting dates for sur-
face Christmas mails to:
Madagascar, Mauritius, India, No-
vember 21, 1956.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21
By Air

Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 6 p.m.
By Surface
Mauritius, Portuguese East Africa,
8 Africa, Brazil, Argentina, Persia
direct (N. & S. Rhodesia & Nyasa-
land, F.Z.S. Rhodesia & Nyasa-
land, 6 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22
By Air

Peking, Shanghai, Hankow, 7 a.m.
Japan, 8 a.m.
Thailand, Pakistan, Lebanon, Ger-
many, France & Great Britain, 9 a.m.
Philippines, 1 p.m.
Pakistan, Middle East, Africa,
Great Britain, Europe, 6 p.m.
Korea, 6 p.m.
Thailand, Burma, India, Ceylon,
8 p.m.
U.S.A., 6 p.m.
By Surface
China, People's Republic, 1 a.m.
India, Pakistan, Iran (Portuguese
India, Persia via Karachi), Noon
Macao, 1 p.m.
Br. East Africa, Portuguese East
Africa, S. Africa, Argentina, Persia
direct (N. & S. Rhodesia & Nyasa-
land, Persia via L. Marquet), 4 p.m.
Thailand, 4 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

Pocket Cut: \$500 Lost

A Chinese, after alighting from
a Youmat ferry at Connaught
Road, Central, at about 3 p.m.
yesterday, discovered that his
pocket had been cut. He lost
\$500 in cash.

A Chinese has been detained
by the Police in connection with
the theft of a wrist watch from
a Chinese woman in Embank-
ment Road at about 10 o'clock
last night.

An unsuccessful attempt was
made by a Chinese to snatch a
handbag from a Chinese woman
pedestrian in Hennessy Road,
near Tin Lok Lane, at about
9.15 p.m. yesterday.

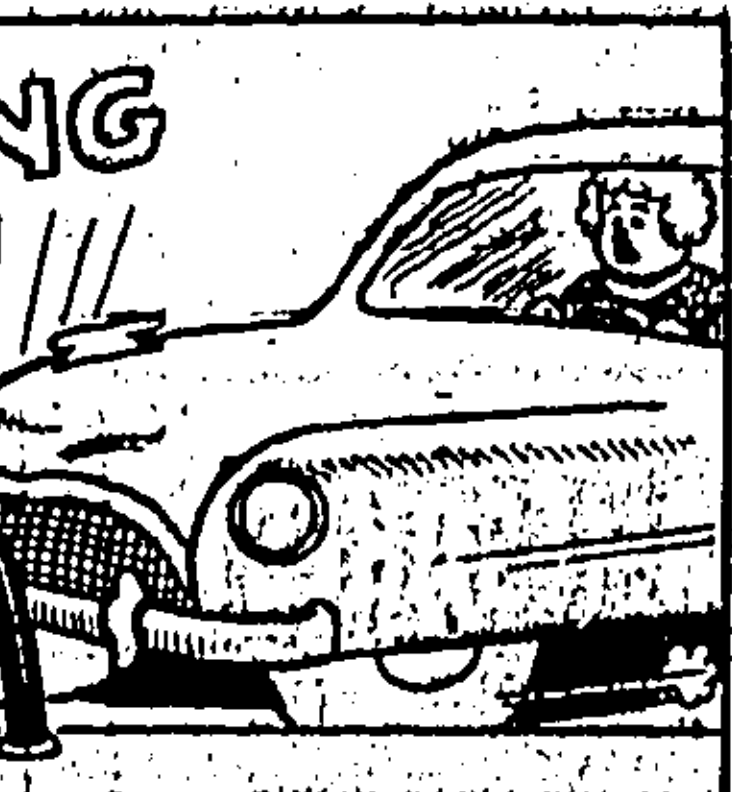
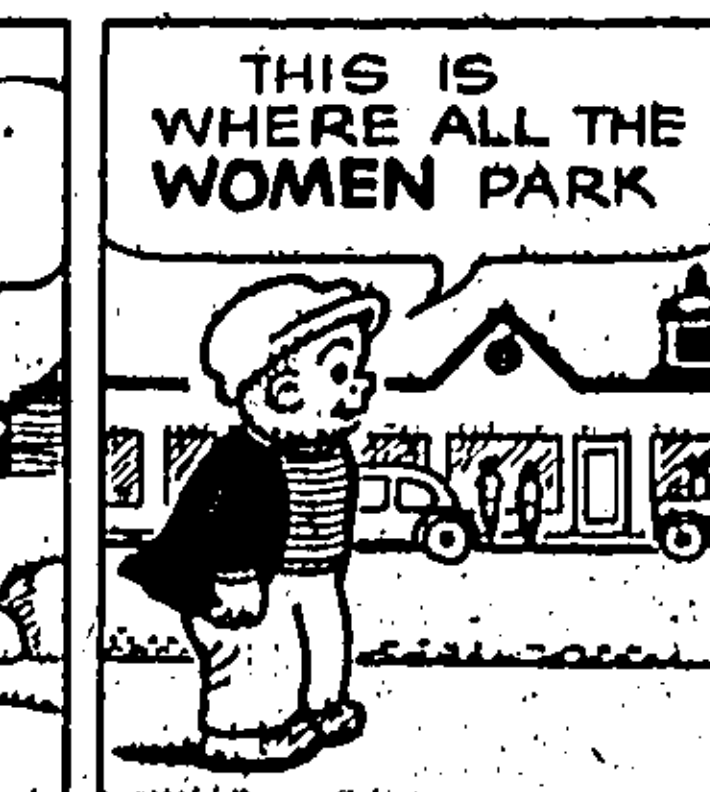
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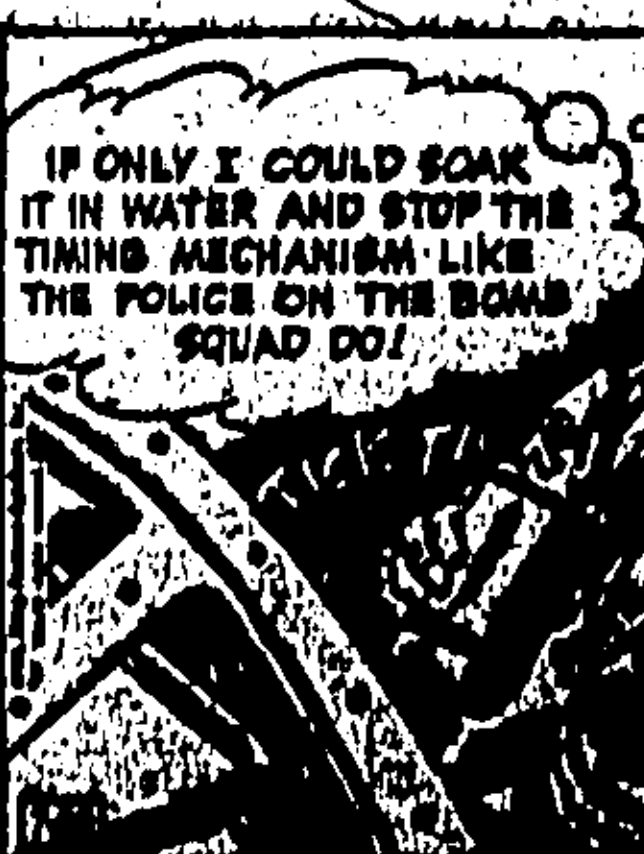
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NANCY



JOHNNY HAZARD



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It is with profound regret we have to inform our Patrons that the
traffic rights formerly granted by Her Majesty's Government and the
Hong Kong Government have not been renewed, thus preventing us from
serving you in and out of Hong Kong direct, although our aircrafts are
still calling regularly at Hong Kong to and from Europe.

While we are deeply concerned about this situation after two
successful years of operation in Hong Kong, we would like to assure you
that it is our earnest intention to have our previous position
re-established.

In the meantime we can only offer you the thrice weekly im-
proved services from Bangkok to Europe and vice versa. Additionally,
as and from February 1957 we are able to offer you the twice weekly
unique fast service from Tokyo to Europe via the North Pole with our
new DC-7C aircrafts.

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